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BY SAM SMITH

BIRDS have the Audubon Society. Trees have Nature Conservancy. The Grand Canyon has the Sierra Club. And the moose has the Wildlife Federation.

Urban man has not fared as well. To be sure, there are large, tax-exempt organizations with slick magazines and slick slogans that profess to speak for him. But their advocacy has a hollow sound. Too often is a matter of the cooks protesting the stew. There are too many vested interests; what starts out as an urban coalition turns into a urban cabal. A manufacturer of red-wood homes would be unlikely to win a seat on the board of the Sierra Club. In the cities it's different. The people allegedly solving the urban crisis and the people causing the urban crisis are too often the same. Urban man, unlike the moose, is on his own.

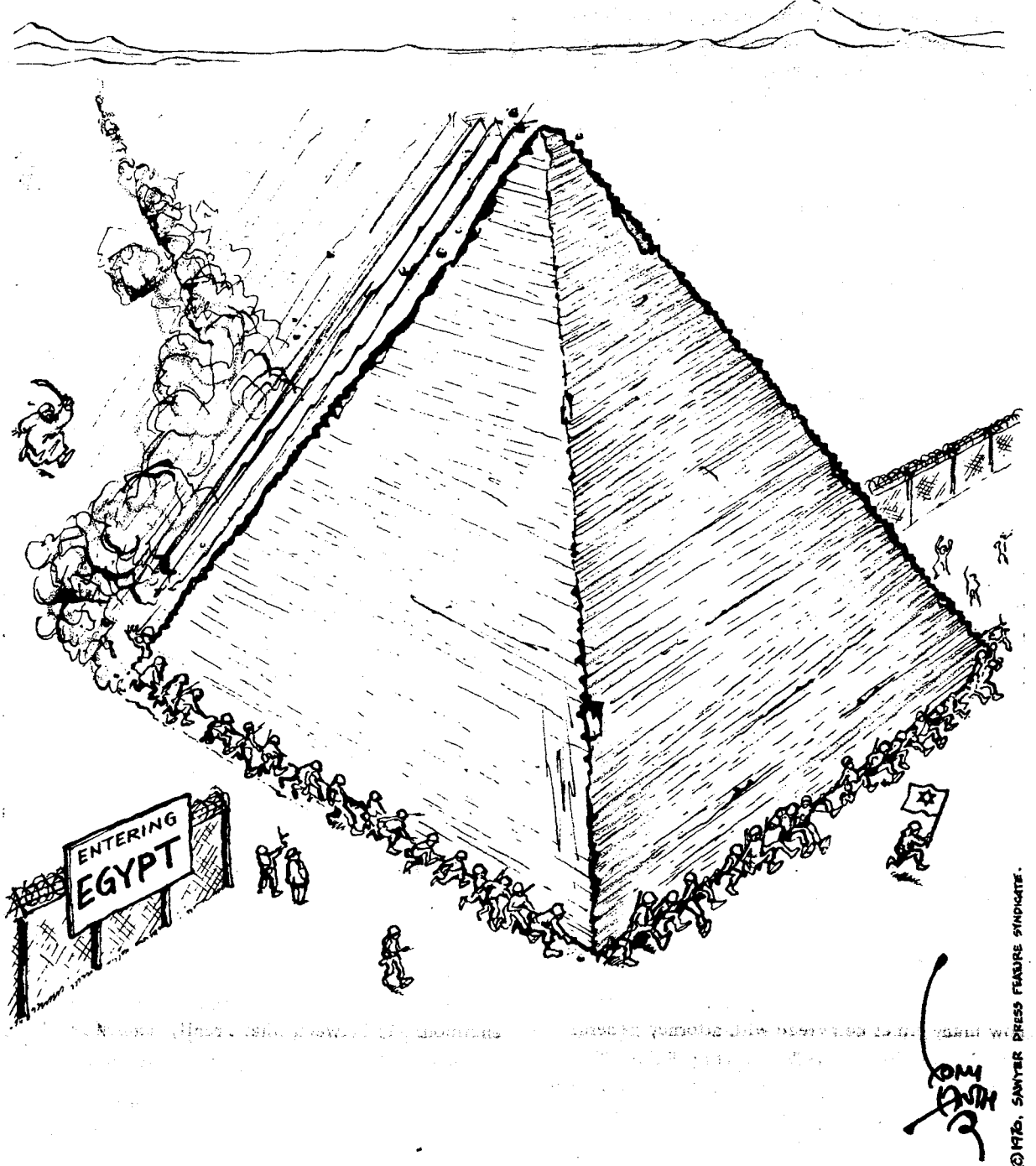
He has managed so far to respond to assaults upon his person and his environment by being adaptable and fertile to a degree no bald eagle has ever emulated. This has tended to obscure the possibility that he may still be an endangered species, that he may adapt himself right out of being a human or that his fertility may prove no longer a defense against extinction but rather the proximate cause of it. Man needs help. He needs to be conserved, protected, and preserved for our grandchildren. His environment requires help too. Its ecology needs to be studied, the open spaces defined in perpetuity, the no hunting and fishing signs posted.

While virtually every habitat of man is somehow threatened, there is none more so than the city. The city, most particularly in the past decade or so, has been strip-mined, cut over, polluted, depleted, desecrated and decimated by every economic and political interest that could get its trucks, machinery and manpower into the territory. No forest, river or mineral lode ever got worse treatment than that accorded major American cities in the 50's and 60's. It has been one long urban gang bang.

Road-building, construction and power companies; real estate dealers and syndicates, urban planners; bureaucrats and politicians; automobile manufacturers and makers of other things; publishers of newspapers; bankers and the FHA; chambers of commerce and urban coalitions; all have had their piece and the city lies knocked down, knocked up and in immediate need of medical attention.

And still it goes on. After all the studies of why people can't move easily from place to place, why they can't find decent housing, why they can't breathe clean air, why they riot and why they dry up in despair, the DC government is proposing to increase traffic jams, pollution and discontent

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## The stax man cometh

CHARLES McDOWELL JR.

IN the course of the multifarious preliminaries to the Super Bowl football game, the network was good enough to give us a view of the television announcer's booth.

The three key positions in the booth were reserved for the "play-by-play," the "color man" and the "stax man."

As every red-blooded football fan knows, the play-by-play man is the one who keeps talking most of the time, telling us what we are seeing. One of the most interesting things about the essentially visual medium of television is the employment and fame it has given to talkers, but never mind.

The color man is the one who speaks up after nearly every play to tell us what we saw. He is almost always a former football player, and he is inclined to technical observations. He tells us which team has achieved "good field position" and which team "has the momentum," and he explains that the flanker got open for a pass "by putting a real good move on the corner back."

That brings us to the stax man. He is perhaps one of the most important and under-rated men in American sport--and potentially he is one of the most significant figures in the American culture.

The word "stax" is short for statistics. Although the stax man is rarely seen or heard on the air, he is a very busy fellow there in the booth.

He keeps statistics of almost infinite variety, and he passes them to the play-by-play man and the color man. Thanks to the stax man, his colleagues are able to tell us at any moment how many passes each team has completed, the average gain of each pass, the number incomplete and intercepted, the number of times the defensive line has "dumped" or "bagged" the quarterback, and all sorts of other numerical subtotals of the progress of the game.

The stax man also has a compendium of all previous performances in the history of football. He knows that a punt is three yards longer than any punt in the four-year history of the Super Bowl, but far short of the play-off game record established in 1937 in a 34-mile wind.

He has at hand a vast statistical profile of both teams and all the players. The remarkable resources of the stax man allow the broadcasters to keep up a running quantitative analysis of the game.

And that is the crucial points--the analysis is quantitative, not qualitative.

The announcers do not say that Joe Kapp of the Vikings is passing lousy. They simply state the



statistics of completions, incompletions and interceptions.

They do not say the Kansas City Chiefs' offensive line is outplaying the famous Vikings' Front Four--in fact, making them look very bad. They give us quantitative statistics and, along with what we can see with our own eyes, we figure out that the Chiefs' offensive line is outplaying the Viking's Front Four.

The point is that quantitative analysis is "objective." Qualitative analysis is editorial. By relying on objective quantitative analysis to tell us who is doing good and bad, the sports announcers feel free to indulge in all sorts of fatuous remarks to the effect that "both teams are playing extremely well" and "you can't take anything away from the Vikings," although the Vikings are looking terrible.

It occurs to us that the television networks could apply the same technique to political commentary in order to meet the criticisms of Vice President Spiro T. Agnew and all the other advocates of "Objectivity."

The idea will require much research and refinement, but it just might work. Let us say that the President makes a major television speech to the nation. How would the networks analyze it?

The play-by-play man would simply recapitulate the speech point by point in an excited voice, using instant replays for the really crucial points.

Then the color man, replying on the stax man, would tell us that the president said "let me make this crystal clear" four times--1.6 times oftener than his season average. Instant replays might be used again to let the viewer judge just how clear the president made things in each case.

Quantitative comparisons also could be used to cover how many times the President used "passive" or "aggressive" phrases in a speech in Vietnam; how many times he agreed with attorney general John N. Mitchell vs. HEW Secretary Robert H. Finch on a domestic issue; or, for that matter, how many times a Democratic speaker in his urgency to disagree with the President also managed to disagree with a majority in the latest Gallup Poll.

As we said, the technique will require refinement. But if the stax mendo their job, the color men--Eric Sevareid, David Brinkley, Howard K. Smith et al--won't have to do anything more daring than make a general assessment of the President's field position and momentum.

(Richmond Times Dispatch)

# TV news: 'fun to watch'

THOMAS SHALES

In some ways, the better television news gets, the worse television news gets. And be warned, it is getting better all the time. Better in that slick, cool, calculating style it has. Like guns are getting better, bombs are getting better, and now there's even a teargas that handily sears your skin off, too.

What television may have in common with teargas is that both are media with which to suppress the fleetingly or lastingly unpopular. And people who go around saying, 'Most of television is junk, but they do a good job with news,' are either naive or television newsmen themselves. What television news is getting better--all-the-time at is being a better show, nothing more; and the better show it is, the less it cares about truth.

You can start any assault on television news with an elemental point. The purpose of a TV news show is the same as the the purpose of anything else on commercial airwaves: Commercials. To sell, not to inform or enlighten or, least of all and heaven forbid, disturb. The American people must not be disturbed. The Silent Majority doesn't like noise. If upset, it might even stop buying deodorant.

TV newsmen will deny these charges of intentional diffidence desperately; they will say that never in their long history with the medium has any executive ever told them what to say or what not to say on the air and blah, blah, blah, blah. That may be. But walk into a TV station sometime and just feel the rampant, enforced isolation. It's eerie. And it represents and embodies the enormous gap between what's really happening out there and what finds its gray way to our tubes.

As a result, just one result, of this pervasive video miasma, which eventually infects virtually all those who work in, or rather for, the medium ("You can't say that on television!"), Vietnam is television's war in more ways than one. It is not just the war most subjected to TV scrutiny; it is the war that television could have stopped.

"We can't give too much time to Vietnam," a local TV news director told me. He said that his station tried to limit Vietman news to about 3 minutes, because viewers can take just so much

grimness, and if you hit em too hard with massacres and defeats and bloodshed, well, they just might turn to another channel for something more consoling. This operative dogma in the ol' TV news game. That, alas, is show biz.

Call a TV newsmen a showman and he inflates into a huff; remember the big deal CBS made about separating news from entertainment in the Emmy awards? On the air, the distinction is barely evident. The TV News Show is designed to be a pleasant, comforting, non-upsetting good-fun routine. A Chicago TV station, in fact, brags in promos that its nightly newscast is "fun to watch," and a DC area radio station says that its approach to news "sounds like fun --and it is!" You wonder how much fun they made out of My Lai and Mary Jo Kopechne.

But entertainment doesn't have to be cheerful; people like pathos, too. They just gotta have shots of Marines helping little South Vietnam orphans, doctoring them up with bandages and playing Great White Brother. TV news has a knee-jerk knack for cheap melodrama. Recently, we got film of a sweet American housewife opening a letter from her husband, captured by the Vietcong, whom she hadn't heard from for over a year. A good scene; she opens the letter, reads it aloud, weeps on cue, and the camera grabs a shot of her blank-eyed kiddies wondering whatever awful is happening to daddy. It gives you pause, in this way: that poor woman hadn't heard from her husband for months, but when she does get a letter, she waits until TV newsmen have set up cameras, lights and sound equipment in her living room before she opens it. A true American.

(In fairness to her, it could have happened another way. Perhaps the TV newsmen found out about the letter after she'd opened it, asked her to seal it up again and do the scene for them that way).

There are so many other corrupt reflexes affecting what local and national TV news tells us... The Father Figure syndrome, finding someone soothing and paternal to tell us about Armageddon, so it won't spoil our dinner. Shazam-- Walter Cronkite! The Cheerful Endings, adopting Time-style to the airwaves, so that even the most disastrous news sounds encouraging and hopeful, sometimes by countering a dis-heartening prognosis with the alternate viewpoint--and there always is an alternative viewpoint ("but another doctor said emphatically today that no causal relationship between cigarettes and lung cancer has yet been...") Or just simple o-my-gollies: "Yes, the world is plummeting toward the sun, ladies and gentlemen, but inside sources say there still may be a chance of averting catastrophe. One way or another, it was a good earth while it lasted. Good night, David."

Some say, in its defense, that TV news only has room for the Significant Stuff. Big fat, trend-indicating news. Indeed, there is a mania for attaching Larger Significance to virtually anything, and the significance is usually more hopeful moralizing to keep the guy in the easy chair warm and comfy--if he's at the window watching for the gremlins, he'll miss "If she kissed you once, will she kiss you again?"

But the real criterion for news getting to TV is popularity. TV wants only the crowd-pleasers. News about the military dictatorship in Greece is not popular; there's not much you can do to showbiz it up, either. News about drug-crazed hippies on murder sprees is very popular, oh very, but news about corruption in the South Vietnam government--too depressing! Besides, USIS brass in Saigon have been known to frown on correspondents there who dwell on the seamy. And gee, there's so much

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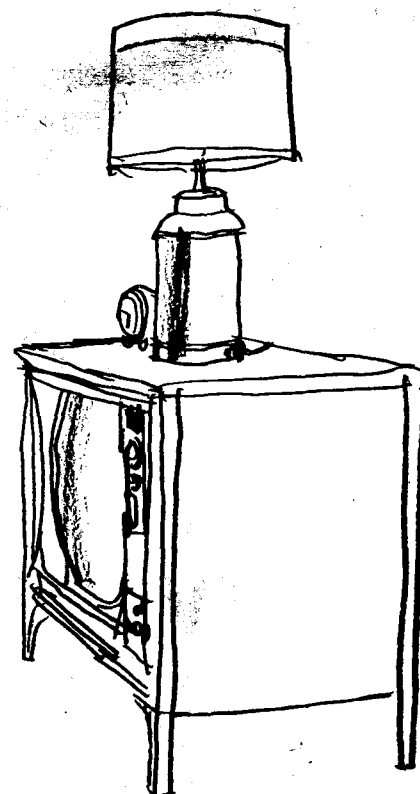
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# Local TV: the color is conglomerate

Who controls what you view in D. C.?

- The 20th largest corporation in the U. S.
- Two major newspapers with 78% of the local daily circulation.
- A media conglomerate whose holdings include broadcasting stations in New York and Los Angeles, the transit advertising business in ten major cities, 29,000 billboards, a direct mail outfit and the Ice Capades.
- A company that makes metal pipes and liquid propane.

No, there's nothing wrong with your set. It's who's in back that counts. And here's who's who, locally, as outlined in a recent report prepared by Federal Communications Commissioners Kenneth Cox and Nicholas Johnson in connection with the license renewals of D. C. stations:



## WRC-TV

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WRC-TV in Washington, D. C. is owned by the National Broadcasting Company (NBC), which is, in turn, a wholly owned subsidiary of the Radio Corporation of America (RCA). WRC, as the Washington NBC affiliate, is one of the most profitable stations in the nation's eighth largest market. RCA also owns WRC-AM and WRC-FM in Washington.

The principal influence of RCA/NBC comes, of course, from its network television programming service to approximately 200 affiliates throughout the country. But RCA is also well entrenched in ownership of station in the most profitable markets. It has television stations in New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago--the country's three largest and most profitable markets--and a radio station in each of these cities except Los Angeles. The lack of radio outlet in Los Angeles, however, is compensated in California by RCA's ownership of a powerful fifty-thousand watt AM station in San Francisco. RCA also owns television and radio stations in Cleveland, Ohio, the nation's eighth largest market.

Thus, all RCA's television stations are in the profitable, populous, and influential "top fifty" markets. Altogether, there are 30,305,000 people within the markets covered by RCA's owned television outlets--about 15% of the national population. Virtually the entire national population is within the coverage area of NBC affiliates.

RCA also owns cable television systems in Kingston, New York; Saugus-Newhall, California; and Seattle and Bellevue, Washington. Outside the country it has small interests--ten to twenty percent--in television stations and networks in Australia, Venezuela, and Hong Kong.

In addition to its television and radio interests, RCA is involved in the performing arts. In its own words: "From time to time, (RCA) . . . has and will continue to have interests in Broadway theatrical productions." In a related medium, RCA has recently purchased Random House, which publishes books under many labels, including Random House, Alfred A. Knopf, Borzoi, Pantheon, and Modern Library. Random House also includes L. W. Singer Co., Inc., which publishes elementary and high school textbooks.

Besides its media holdings, RCA is a major corporate manufacturer of broadcasting equipment and components. Its products, manufactured through a large number of branches and subsidiaries, include stereos, color television, transmitters, tape recorders, and other electronic components of many kinds.

RCA is a senior member of the military-industrial complex, manufacturing a large array of defense products, from radar to guided missile equipment.

Indeed, nearly twenty percent of RCA's business in 1967 was from government defense contracts. RCA owns an international common carrier (RCAC, Inc.) and maintains a large sales organization (RCA Distributing Company) to distribute its products. It also maintains branches for training personnel (RCA Institutes, Inc.) and for the development of new products (RCA Laboratories).

In recent years, RCA has moved into still other areas. It recently purchased Hertz Rent-A-Car, which has 4,500 locations in 765 cities and owns 64,000 automobiles, 29,000 trucks, and approximately 230 parking locations. And on November 5, 1969, RCA announced its agreement to purchase F. M. Stamper Co., a frozen-food producer, for \$140.6 million of common stock.

Perhaps the most impressive fact about RCA, however, is not its diversification, but its size. It is the 20th largest U. S. corporation, with total assets of \$2.5 billion and total sales of over \$3 billion. RCA recently attempted to merge with the St. Regis Paper Company, the nation's 127th largest corporation, but the merger was called off. Had this merger been consummated, RCA would have become the nation's 13th largest corporation, and the RCA publishing subsidiaries would have had a ready source of below-cost paper supply.

## WMAL-TV

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THE Evening Star Broadcasting Company owns two television stations in the renewal area--WMAL-TV in Washington and WLVA-TV in Roanoke, Virginia. Evening Star also owns WMAL-AM-FM in Washington and WCIV-TV in Charleston, South Carolina. Evening Star Broadcasting Company is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the company which publishes the Washington Evening Star (circulation: 318,000), which has about 30% of the Washington circulation.

The Evening Star Broadcasting Company has assets of \$4.3 million. The assets of the entire Evening Star operations have not been disclosed; nor have its non-broadcast interests.

## WDCA-TV

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SUPERIOR Tube, the owner of WDCA-TV in Washington, D. C. is a relative newcomer to the broadcasting industry. It acquired its first television station--WDCA--on May 7, 1969.

Superior Tube has substantial interests, however, outside the broadcasting industry. It has interests

in companies which produce metal tubing and pipe, metal wire, liquid propane, and related industrial products. Superior's principals also have interests in various companies which produce precision instruments and fork lift trucks, as well as interests in real estate and commercial horse breeding.

Cross and Company, the nominee of the First Pennsylvania Banking and Trust Company, owns 32% of Superior Tube's stock under a trust arrangement. At the last stockholders meeting, Cross' proxy was given to Clarence A. Warden, Jr., who is a director and stockholder of the First Pennsylvania Banking and Trust Company and the Chairman and director of Superior Tube.

## WTTG-TV

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METROMEDIA Incorporated is the owner of television station WTTG in Washington, D. C., one of the most profitable in the renewal area. Metromedia also owns two radio stations in the area--WASH-FM in Washington and WCBM-AM in Baltimore.

Elsewhere in the nation, the company owns television stations in the first (New York, WNEW), the second (Los Angeles, KTTV) and the seventh (San Francisco, KNEW) national markets. Washington is the eighth largest market. Metromedia also owns a television station in Kansas City, Missouri (KMBC), which ranks twenty-third.

Metromedia's radio stations tend to be in the same high population areas. It has radio stations in all but one of the cities (Kansas City) in which it has television stations as well as two stations in Philadelphia and two in Cleveland. Two of its radio stations are fifty-thousand watt facilities, blanketing large areas of the East Coast at night and substantial areas even during the day.

Metromedia plans to grow larger in the near future. As of this writing, it has an application pending for the assignment of a new television station (WFLD-TV) in Chicago.

Although Metromedia is not a conglomerate in the traditional sense, it might well be called a "media conglomerate," or multi-media combine. With its farflung broadcasting activities, Metromedia seems to have the potential for reaching vast numbers of Americans every day with some sort of message.

Its television facilities are well spaced across the country--two on the East Coast, one in the Midwest, two on the West Coast. Its Metro Transit Advertising Division has franchises to put advertisements in the buses and subways of ten large cities--Baltimore, Boston, Buffalo, Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia and San Francisco.



By Metromedia's estimate, 21,000 vehicles are involved.

Through its Foster and Kleiser Division, Metromedia runs a substantial outdoor advertising operation, encompassing 29,000 billboards. Through its Metromail Group, Metromedia reaches into people's homes via a mail marketing operation. It also owns Playbill Magazine--distributed free to patrons of 1,184 theaters around the country--and Metromedia Producers Corporation, makers and distributors of films. The Ice Capades is also a Metromedia subsidiary.

Thus, through many media--television and radio, bus and subway advertising, direct mail and theater magazines, films and outdoor advertising--Metromedia blankets the major population centers with its product. Its message is its product.

## WTOP-TV 9

WTOP-TV in Washington, D. C. is owned and operated by Post-Newsweek Stations. In addition to this profitable TV facility, Post-Newsweek owns WTOP-AM and WTOP-FM in Washington, as well as WJXT-TV in Jacksonville, Florida. And the Commission on September 24, 1969, approved the additional acquisitions of WLBW-TV, Miami, Florida, and WCKY(AM), Cincinnati, Ohio.

The parent company, the 100% owner of Post-Newsweek, is the Washington Post Company, which publishes the Washington Post with a circulation of 479,000 and about 48% of the daily newspaper circulation in this three-newspaper city. The Post's influence is not to be measured by its circulation alone; it is read by, and influences, national leaders from the White House to Capitol Hill.

The Washington Post Company is not restricted in its media ownership to local television, radio, and newspapers. It also owns an extremely potent force on the national scene--Newsweek magazine--one of the three major newsweeklies. With a circulation of over two million copies per week, Newsweek reaches into practically every city and town in America, bringing to many people the only thorough presentation of national news that they receive on a systematic basis.

Through subsidiaries, the Washington Post Company also publishes Art News, a low circulation art magazine; owns the majority of stock in a warehouse terminal, and storage facility in Arlington, Virginia (Robinson Terminal Warehouse Corporation); publishes Book World, which appears in the Chicago Tribune and the Washington Post; and owns a half-interest in the Los Angeles Times-Washington Post News Service--a national newswire service of substantial reach and influence.

The Post also owns thirty percent of the International Herald Tribune, published in Paris and distributed all over Western Europe. Another Post possession is TV Channels, a magazine of articles and television schedules that appears in Sunday newspapers, including the Detroit Free Press, the Dallas News, the Baltimore News American and the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. Finally, the Post owns forty-nine percent of a newsprint mill in Canada (Bowaters Mercy Paper Company).

Because the Washington Post Company is a closely-held family-dominated corporation, it is difficult to obtain an exact accounting of its financial worth. Figures are available for Post-Newsweek

stations alone, however, which show them to have total assets of just over thirty-one million dollars. When the assets of Newsweek, the Washington Post, and the other interests are added, the Washington Post Company is a substantial media influence, notwithstanding its relatively small number of television stations.

Like other rapidly growing media conglomerates, the Post has acquired much of its broadcast and other property within the last decade and seems to be on an expanding course, witnessed by its recently granted application to purchase a radio station in Cincinnati and a television station in Miami. These moves will, by the Post's own estimate, add a million people to its potential audience.

## WFAN-TV 14

UNITED Broadcasting Company owns WFAN-TV in Washington, and WMET-TV in Baltimore through a subsidiary, United TV Company of Eastern Maryland. United Broadcasting also has other broadcast interests, including WOOK (AM) and WFAN-FM in Washington, WSID-AM-FM in Baltimore and WINX in Rockville, Maryland.

Richard Eaton, the controlling stockholder of United Broadcasting, is also the owner of Unity Reality Company and U. B. C. Sales, a company which represents many of Eaton's broadcast stations in the sale of broadcast time. Mr. Eaton is also the owner (through Friendly Broadcasting Company) of United Cable of New Hampshire, Inc., which operates a CATV system in Manchester, Bedford and Goffstown, New Hampshire.

"O. K.

Now that we know the public will watch anything, let's show them something worth watching.

O. K. ? "

-- Mason Williams

# The Kalorama crime crusade

MALCOLM KOVACS

SATURDAY afternoon, January 10th, was right in the middle of our recent below-freezing weather. But though the weather was terribly cold, the blood boiled hot in the veins of some 250 mostly elderly citizens who came to the Washington Hilton for a "citizens crusade against crime" meeting sponsored by the Kalorama Citizens Association.

Kalorama is the nicest (as in "whites only") part of Adams-Morgan and includes the area of refined Connecticut Avenue apartment buildings and side street homes just below the Connecticut Avenue bridge. Kalorama means "beautiful view" in Greek and this was the name of the entire neighborhood until the beautiful view had been so eroded by slums that the name gradually changed to Adams-Morgan, the names of the area's two schools.

The Kalorama Citizens Association is apparently a northern version of the White Citizens Council, as was soon made clear to the two dozen or so blacks and young people who attended the meeting as a most uncomfortable minority.

The small meeting room was crowded. Many people had to stand. Young Bill Sheirer, president of the Kalorama Citizens, turned over the gavel to

executive vice president Mrs. Jewell Smith, who began by presiding over a prayer and leading the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Smith said that this special public meeting was pleased to have representatives from the following groups supporting the program: Safeway, Riggs Bank, Peoples Drug, the retail liquor trade, the Police Wives Association, the Policemen's Association, persons from the Adams-Morgan Federation and Community Council, from the Georgetown, DuPont Circle, Midway and Mt. Pleasant citizens associations, and from a group called Positive Action against Crime.

From Mrs. Smith's other introductory remarks, it became clear that the main purpose of this meeting was to get the support of these very frightened old women for strong law and order legislation, including preventive detention, mandatory sentencing and even farther out anti-black and anti-civil liberties measures.

The main speakers were an undistinguished group of notables: Young Donald Santarelli, Associate Deputy Attorney General (one of John Mitchell's

henchmen), District Police Chief Jerry Wilson, dressed in civies so as to make him resemble his fellow men, young Dick Titus of the National Rifle Association, the Rev. Frank Blackwelder, rector of All Souls Episcopal Church, and Father William O'Donnell, editor of the Catholic Standard, the Washington Archdiocese newspaper.

Father O'Donnell, the editor of the Catholic Standard, reflects well the crude passion of a Cardinal O'Boyle, his boss, rather than the compassion of a Pope John. Father O'Donnell's greatest spiritual hero is apparently J. Edgar Hoover, whose work O'Donnell got to know when O'Donnell spent several years with the internal security and criminal divisions of the Justice Department. If O'Donnell can make the jump from Justice Department to the church, maybe John Mitchell has a chance to succeed Cardinal O'Boyle.

Looking around during the meeting I observed a number of high-ranking police officers whom I hadn't seen since they ordered head beatings at the Three Sisters Bridge site last fall. As Police Chief

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# The City Council bogarts the pot issue

ERBIN CROWELL



Judge Charles Halleck

NOBODY can prove that the Father of our Country was a pot-head, but old George's diary shows evidence that he was well aware that only the flowering female *cannabis sativa* had uses other than rope--the male and female marijuana plants were meticulously separated at Mt. Vernon. Now, a couple of centuries later, near Washington's old homestead, the appointed overseers of the Congressional plantation carved out some of George's vast land holdings are publicly examining the medical, psychological, social and legal aspects of marijuana. The hardy plant seems to have yielded not only miles of hemp rope and volumes of literature on its other properties, it is now eliciting opinion from everyone--from City Council Chairman Gilbert Hahn and the Surgeon General of the United States to Joseph Alsop and Petey Greene's grandmother.

The Public Safety Committee of the City Council held two days of hearings this month to hear scientific and public testimony about marijuana. Most of what it heard was expectable: scientifically, marijuana is a mild conscious-altering drug; it is not addictive, nor does it lead to the use of addicting drugs; it has been known and used and studied for literally thousands of years, and no physiological damage whatsoever has been discovered; instances of adverse mental effects resulting from its use are extremely rare. Most significant to the Council's hearing--and to a good number of kids who are in prison on pot convictions--was the fact, reiterated by Surgeon General Jesse L. Steinfeld, that "in the case of marijuana, legal penalties were originally assigned with total disregard for medical and scientific evidence of the properties of the drug or its effects."

"I know of no clearer instance in which the punishment for infraction of the law is more harmful than the crime," Steinfeld concluded.

That touches on the ostensible reason the Council is so concerned, but Catfish Turner probably got closer to the reality of the matter when he noted that no one in the white establishment was concerned when the use of pot was limited to Mexican Americans, ghetto blacks and a few musicians. "It's only when it gets into your suburbia and your white middle class colleges that you begin to get at all concerned," Turner said. And Petey Greene, who testified alongside Turner agreed: "See, you people are just conning (What? Councilman Daugherty asked.) Faking, man, just faking. You're showing all this concern not for the community but just because some congressmen's kids got busted." Marijuana smoking is now so widespread among the white middle and upper classes, said Greene, that "probably some of you up there got a little nickel (5-dollar) bag you go back to when this is over." The government has never worried about lying to the ghetto, but now, Catfish said, it is realizing that it "has got to stop telling these youngsters all these lies, 'cause they know you're lying and you know they do."

Greene "testified" on behalf of his grandmother, whose opinions on marijuana are based on practical experience. She once told her grandson to quit: "Petey, you gotta stop smoking those reefers, because they make you too hungry, and I can't buy all that extra food." Later, on comparing its effects with those of alcohol, "She said she'd rather me smoke reefers and just sit and smile at people than drink that old wine and come in throwing chairs around."

While Council Chairman Hahn admitted that the Council has no power to make the use and possession of marijuana legal, "it may have the power by regulation to create an alternate lighter penalty for the use and possession of marijuana." And more

important, Hahn told reporters afterwards, the hearings provided an opportunity both to hear from and educate the public.

So the scientists were called in. (There were only a couple of cops guarding the Council chambers on that day and about five times that number the next morning when "the public" was to be heard.) The Surgeon General lauded the Nixon Administration's position and seemed to be calling for an even more drastic reduction of penalties for pot. But he hinted at a possible ulterior motive of the Administration: since the present law has not served its purpose (many jurists won't invoke present penalties because they are too harsh), a "more realistic penalty structure" might do more "to control the use of marijuana than the present one."

Harvard's director of psychiatric research, Dr. Lester Grinspoon, called for immediate legalization under controls similar to those now on alcohol. Grinspoon recommended continued study, but said under questioning that there is already more than sufficient scientific knowledge to conclude that "no amount of research will ever find marijuana as dangerous as alcohol or tobacco."

Much of the other scientific testimony said as much about the testifiers as it did about pot. The John Hopkins Drug Abuse Center, and the Pharmacology Departments of Howard and George Washington attempted to convince the Council that "we know so little" and that what was needed was a great deal more research money, presumably to their own institutions. The testimony of representatives of the Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs was notable for its meekness. Although the narcs still refer to marijuana as a killer drug before high school audiences, still try to imply that pot inevitably and immediately leads to heroin, still pass out 1930's posters of marijuana

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Catfish Turner (left) and Petey Greene



SHALES

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wrong in the world, why not tell the good things too? (Time to trot out another kid orphaned by the VC).

Television accepted the Administration rationale for the war from the very beginning. It was adopted without question (there is no investigative reportage in television), it was set up as another we-they wargame for the American Viewer to root about and it got to the airwaves in sporadic filmclips of neat, mainly bloodless battles less disruptive to the nationalpsyche than "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet." Only now, and just barely, are some of the colder

truths, most of them tactfully diluted, making their way to the tube. Let Spiro Agnew spew a few ouches and even these semi-revelations are pushed back under or painted a cheerful beige. President Nixon wasn't the only one to ignore the Second Vietnam Moratorium, the great march on Washington; The TV networks decided it was too corrosive to be news, they would not dignify it with attention. The crawling eye moved on.

New-York-Review-of-Books liberals have, of course, just put TV out of their minds as a viable alternative to virtually anything, though many do

watch its plastic replicas of football games. (Football was one an American sport). Why, indeed, do I carry on this way about it? Because, I guess, I still think television is a last, best hope--even though, I fear, there may be no hope for television.

KALORAMA

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Jerry Wilson began to speak, members of WITCH, Women's International Terrorist Conspiracy From Hell, fully clad in witches outfits, chanted loudly a hex from outside the room:

"We are all witches and we've come to yell  
You white fascist pigs should all go to hell  
You lock people up and deny them all bail  
And hope that they die in your Nazi jail;  
Now you'd better deal with the causes of crime  
Or we'll return with the fire next time!"

The WITCHes were kept from entering the room by a combination of policemen and civilians, some of them from the citizens association and others who were apparently plainclothesmen. Many of the elderly yelled at the young women. (WITCH is the action arm of Womens Liberation. In a statement distributed at the meeting, WITCH said in part: "To eliminate crime we must ... destroy a system based on exploitation, greed, profit and oppression. People are criminals because they are oppressed. . .") Chief Wilson waited for the restoration of relative calm and proceeded to ask--in his subdued North Carolina twang--for citizen support for his crime "package," pushing especially hard for preventive detention.

ney --their white commanders--have also been on the police force for 28 years each. While the whites have moved to the top of the department, the blacks get the consolation prizes, silver bowls and traffic duty.

In the short and restricted question and answer period, a young black with beret and fatigue from the Black Mans Development Center rapped briefly about the need to stop organized crime which is bringing heavy drugs into the city. He asked for contributions for the clinics which his center is running to reform black addicts. Despite the fact that he came down hard against illegal drug traffic and for strong action against organized crime, many of the white old ladies were so afraid of him they wouldn't even take a copy of the literature he was passing out.

The meeting closed with a prayer. But that was not to be the final note; as the audience moved out into the hallway, the WITCHes resumed their chant and some of the old women briefly skirmished with the young WITCHes, hitting and yelling at them.

The un-broadcast

THE radio speech was never broadcast -- yet old show-biz Agnew got 14,000 letters of praise the next day. No one will admit who slipped.

What happened was that the UPI, a news service that also makes news tapes used by independent radio station, recorded a full hour of the usual hard hitting, always missing, Agnew diatribe. The schedule said it was to be broadcast over dozens of stations on the week-end. But a foul-up occurred-- not a single station aired the speech.

Just the same, come Monday morning, the UPI office was buried under a flood of 14,000 letters of fulsome praise. There was not a single letter criticizing the speech. Agnew was praised for once again exposing the effete intellectual snobs who marched in the protest parades.

14,000 American citizens went sap over a speech they never heard. Only Spiro can get that.

I know of three New York City TV stations that were forbidden by their management to air the story. Makes one think.

Come to think of it, that's the same number of letters that Nixon had on his desk the day after one of his speeches. Makes one think.

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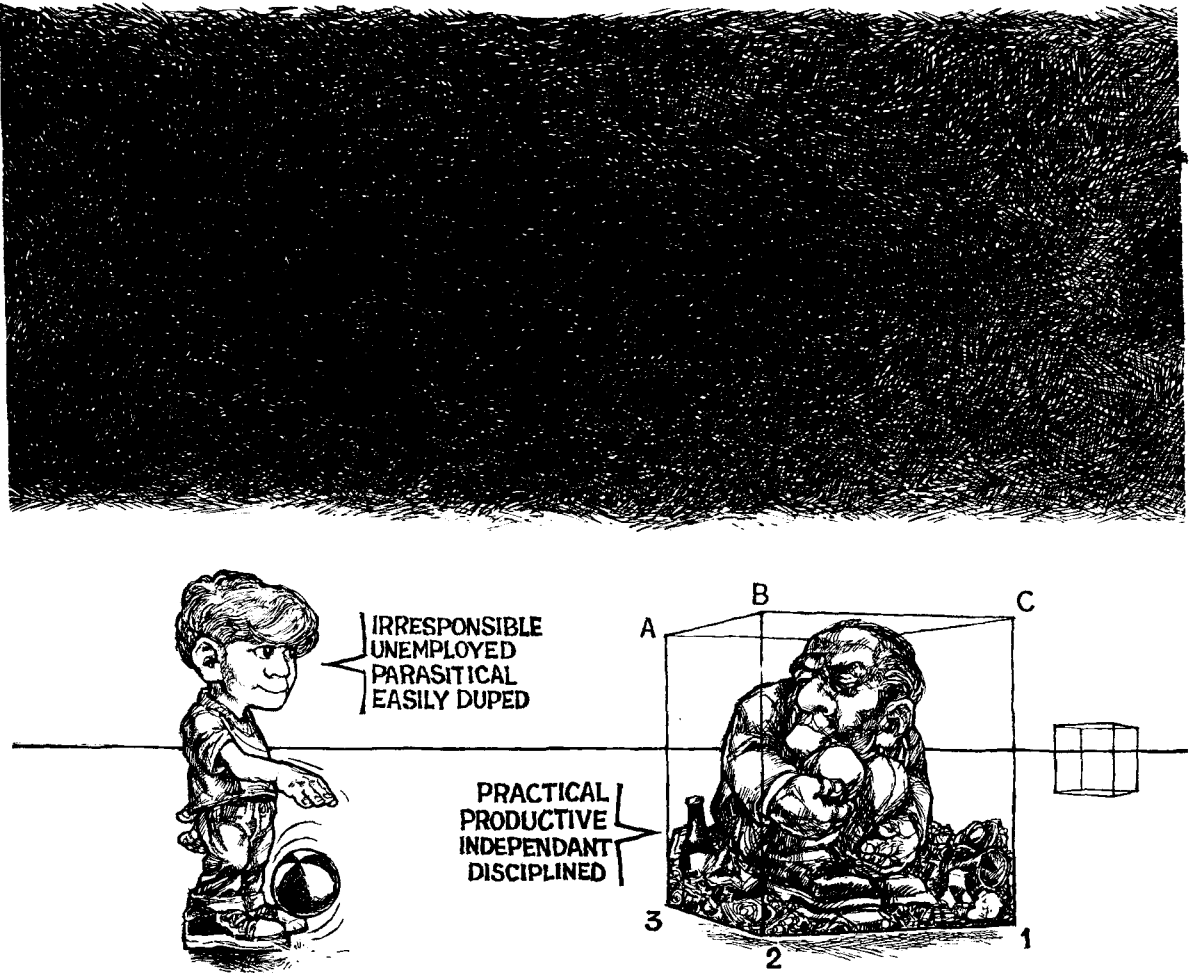
Not to be outdone, Justice's Don Santarelli pushed for mandatory sentencing of criminals, including mandatory penalty of five years for any crime committed with a weapon.

As the hard line got harder, one young black walked out saying loudly, "This whole thing is absurd." This comment met with hisses from the old ladies and shouts of "right on!" from the few sympathetic blacks and whites left.

The Reverend Frank Blackwelder outdid his fellow speakers when he proposed sterilization for convicted rapists, more use of capital punishment, a nightly curfew in the city from midnight to 6am, and federal troops to patrol the streets. These proposals met with a mixed response of scattered applause and shouts of "fascism!" and Gestapo!"

Then came the awards ceremony. The Kalorama Citizens Assn. was presenting its award to the Policeman of the Year 1969 to one policeman from the second District and one from the Third, each chosen by the District Police commander, not the citizens. The two white commanders, Mahlon Pitts, head of the Second District, and John Kinney, head of the Third District, gave the awards--a silver bowl--to two Negro policemen. "Don't take those slop bowls!" shouted one young black. "Oink! Oink!" shouted the WITCHes. "Promote him!" shouted others. The two Negro policemen took their bowls and made polite little thank you speeches.

Negro officer John Harrison has been a policeman for 28 years. He was one of the winners. He asked people in the audience to come greet him while he directs morning traffic at 17th and I Streets, N. W. The other Negro officer, Loring Anderson, has been a policeman for 27 years. Inspectors Pitts and Kin-



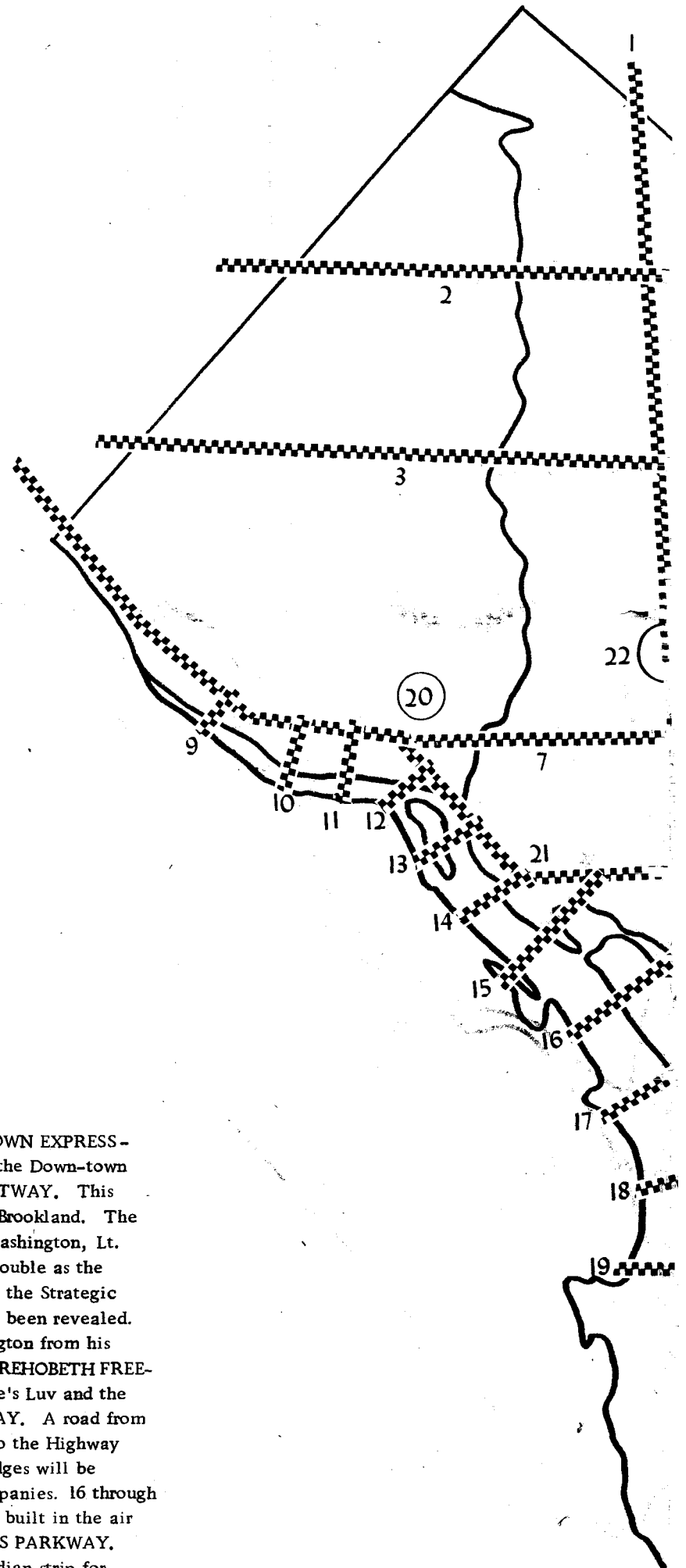
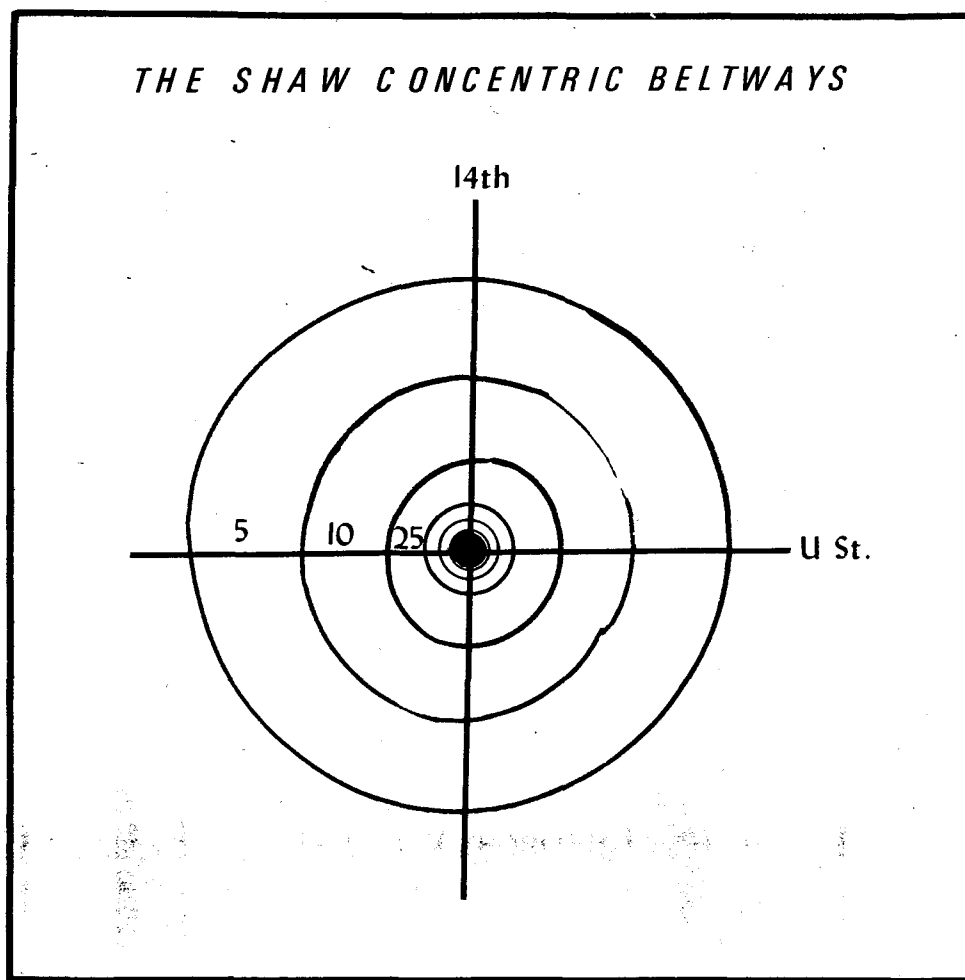
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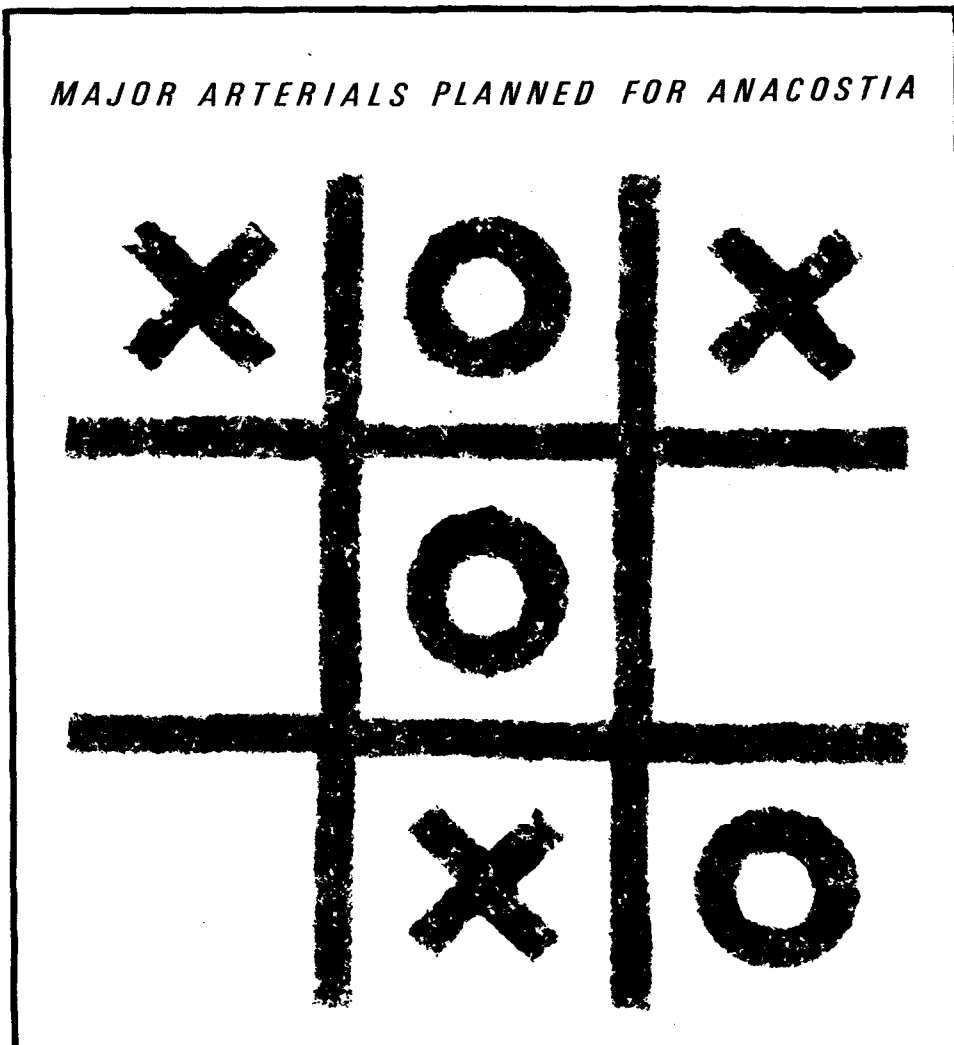
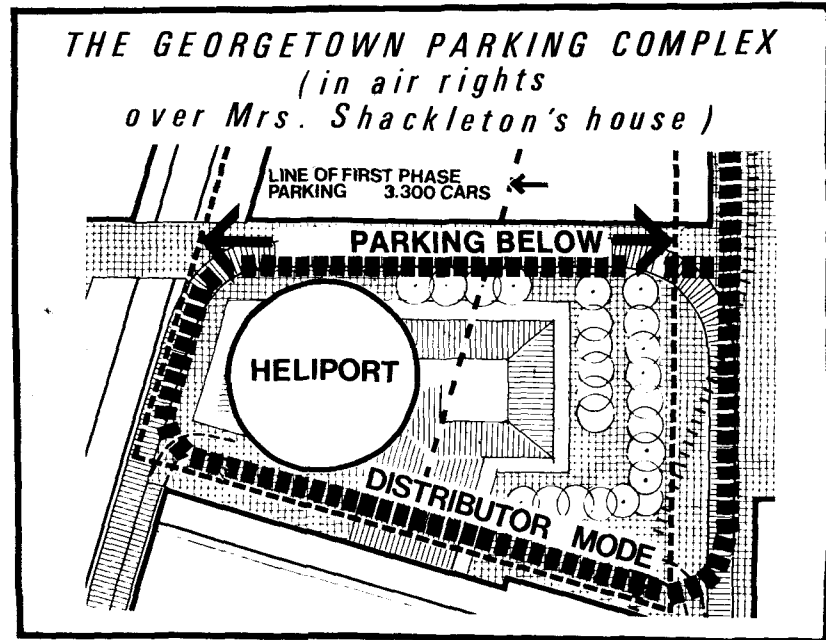
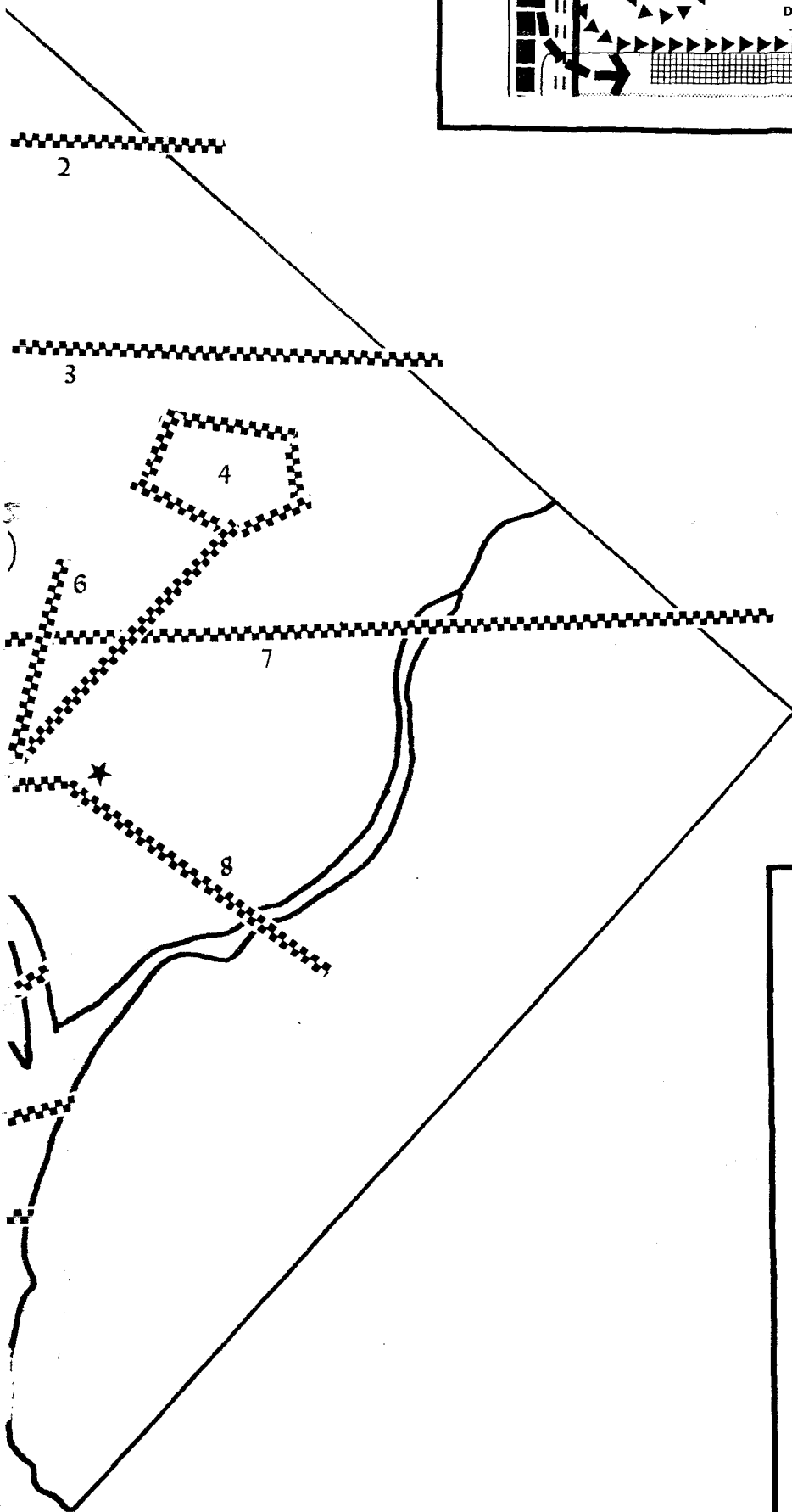
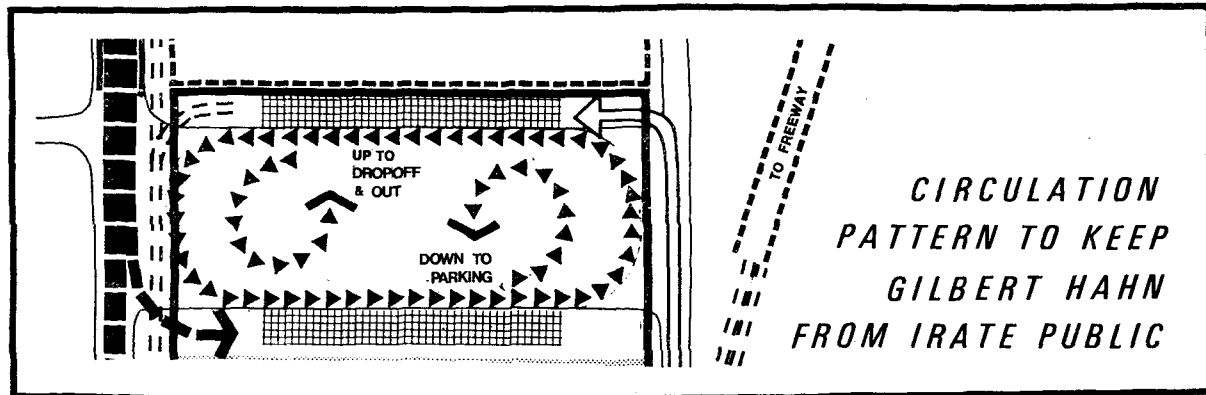
1. THE UP & DOWN-TOWN EXPRESSWAY. 2. THE UP-TOWN CROSS-TOWN EXPRESSWAY. 3. THE MID-TOWN CROSS-TOWN EXPRESSWAY. (The location of the Down-town Cross-town Expressway has not yet been finalized.) 4. THE BROOKLAND BELTWAY. This road will be built on a wall 90 feet high that will surround the community of Brookland. The Beltway will provide easy access to any part of Brookland for Commissioner Washington, Lt. Col. Starobin or the U. S. Marshall. A moat on the outside of the wall will double as the Brookland sanitary settling basin. Air rights over the beltway will be given to the Strategic Air Command. 5. This is still in the planning stages and the location has not been revealed. 6. THE T-ST. DITCH. This depressed 8-lane road will speed Walter Washington from his home to the District Building (small star) and back. 7. THE GEORGETOWN-REHOBETH FREEWAY. A direct route to the shore for Georgetowners with exit ramps at Wayne's Luv and the last liquor store in the city. 8. THE JOSEPH P. YELDELL MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. A road from Councilman Yeldell's house to the District Building in honor of past services to the Highway Department. 9 through 15. SEVEN BRIDGES FOR SEVEN VOTES. These bridges will be named after the seven councilmen most loyal to the needs of the cement companies. 16 through 19. SPARE BRIDGES. 20. THE GEORGETOWN PARKING COMPLEX. To be built in the air rights over Polly Shackleton's home (see detail map). 21. THE POOR PEOPLE'S PARKWAY. This 23 lane road will run the entire length of the Mall leaving a narrow median strip for future demonstrations. The Highway Department had originally planned to build the road through the Lincoln Memorial, but decided against it when engineering studies showed that a statue divided against itself might fall. 22. The Shaw Concentric Beltways (See detail map).



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# WHAT'S HAPPENING

## FREEWAY HEARINGS

### Excerpts from official notice

THE Transportation Committee of the District of Columbia City Council will hold hearings commencing January 29th concerning the report to Congress on the freeway program in the District of Columbia which is required to be submitted by February 23 under Section 23(c) of the 1968 Federal Aid Highway Act.

The purpose of the hearings is to consider testimony prior to adoption by the City Council of a report in connection with the action required by the District of Columbia Government under the 1968 Highway Act.

Section 23(c) of the 1968 Highway Act states as follows:

"(c) The government of the District of Columbia and the Secretary of Transportation shall study those projects on the Interstate System set forth in 'The 1968 Interstate System Cost Estimate,' House Document Numbered 199, Ninetieth Congress, within the District of Columbia which are not specified in subsection (b) and shall report to Congress not later than 18 months after the date of enactment of this section their recommendations with respect to such projects including any recommended alternative routes or plans, and if no such recommendations are submitted within such 18-month period then the Secretary of Transportation and the government of the District of Columbia shall construct such routes, as soon as possible thereafter, as required by subsection (a) of this section."

In preparation for these hearings the Department of Highways and Traffic has prepared three documents which will serve as the basis of testimony at the hearings. The documents are:

(1) Recommendations for a Freeway in the Northern Sector and Related Policy; (2) Recommendation for the South Leg Freeway Alignment; (3) Recommended Action on North Leg Freeway.

Copies are available at the City Council Offices, Room 509, 14th and E Streets, N. W.

Hearing sessions are scheduled for the following dates: Jan. 29-30; Feb. 4, 5, 6, 9.

All sessions will begin at 7:30 p. m. and will be held in the Council Chamber, room 500, at the District Bldg. The first several sessions will include an explanation of the plan and a full discussion of various sides of the issues involved by official and public witnesses. A concluding session will again include questioning of official witnesses.

Subsequent sessions will provide an open witness list so that all persons wishing to testify will be provided an opportunity to speak. These open sessions are now expected to be held on Feb. 4 and 5.

Persons wishing to testify should register with the secretary of the council by mail or telephone (638-2223) by noon on Jan. 30. Persons registering to speak are asked (but not required) to provide the following information, in addition to name, address, telephone number, and organization represented (if any): (a) desired amount of time to present testimony; (b) specific segments or aspects of the problem to be addressed and general position and (c) preference between Feb. 4 and Feb. 5.

The committee would appreciate receiving 20 copies of written testimony 24 hours in advance of the session at which it is to be presented. Persons interested in attending the hearing are advised that the seating capacity is limited, but that provisions have been made to monitor the hearings in nearby facilities to accommodate any overflow of persons.

& Penna. Ave. NW, on a rule to make it illegal for food stores to advertise specials without making sure they are available in stores. This proposed rule grew, in part, out of practices by chains in D. C.

THERE will be a hearing before the zoning commission on Jan. 28 at 2 p. m. (room 500 of the District Building) on a proposed change to the zoning regulations that would permit an expansion of social welfare activities undertaken by church organizations in residential neighborhoods. The hearing will also take up new rules of procedure proposed for the operation of the Zoning Commission. A copy of the proposed changes may be obtained at the commission (room 11A District Bldg.) 629-4426.

A HEARING will be held in the City Council chambers on Feb. 2 at 10 a. m. on the request by WMAL-TV to construct a 1,013 foot television tower at 4411 Conn. Ave. NW.

## MEETINGS

THE Democratic Central Committee meets Feb. 10 at its offices at 1009 13th NW at 8 p. m. The next meeting will be on Mar. 10 at 8 p. m. at the same location.

THE Emergency Committee on the Transportation Crisis, coordinator of the local anti-freeway struggle, meets every Thursday at Brookland Methodist Church, 14th & Lawrence NE.

THE Washington Teachers Union meets Jan. 26 at 3:45 p. m. at Roosevelt H. S., 13th & Upshur NW.

THERE will be a rally to oppose the North Leg of the freeway at the Morgan School, V St. between Champlain and 18th NW, on Jan. 26 at 8 p. m.

THERE will be a conference on "Vietnam and the Myth of Teacher Neutrality" on Feb. 7 at the Metropolitan AME Church, 1518 M NW, beginning at 9 a. m. and continuing through the day. Keynote speaker will be Julius Hobson. Other participants include Willie Hardy, Andrew Kopkind, Karl Hess, and Philip Hirschkop. Task force subject matters include: "The Myth of Teacher Neutrality," "Black Liberation and the Vietnamese Freedom Struggle," "A View From the Other Side," "The Suburban School: Its Racism," "Repression as it Comes Down on Teachers and Students," and "Teacher Rights." Info: 462-4529.

## TRIALS

NINE persons arrested for an anti-war protest at the offices of the Dow Chemical Co. here last year go on trial in District Court on Feb. 3.

THE Brookland Four trial begins Feb. 9 at the Court of General Sessions, 5th & E NW. Reginald Booker, Joseph Coleman, Rev. John Mote and Prof. Thomas Rooney were arrested on June 21 when citizens began an effort to clean up and restore to livable condition the 69 homes illegally confiscated by the DC government for the North Central Freeway.

## CLASSES

THE Washington Saturday College will hold registration for its spring semester Feb. 7 from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m. The college offers free courses to area residents, particularly for those preparing for college or for high school equivalency or federal exams.

## CITY COUNCIL

THE City Council meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month.

THE D. C. Council will hold a public hearing on problems affecting the Spanish-speaking community in the city. The hearing will be held on Jan. 27 at 7:30 p. m. in room 500 of the District Building. Persons desiring to testify at the hearing should register with Stephen Swaim, secretary of the Council at 638-2223. Written statements should be forwarded to the secretary of the Council, room 509 of the District Building, 14th & E NW, to arrive no later than Feb. 2. Councilman Jerry Moore will preside.

THE DC Council's Health and Welfare Committee will hold public hearings on Jan. 26 and 28 on recommendations to improve city health services. The hearings, in room 500 of the District Bldg., will cover emergency medical care (Jan. 26 9:30 a. m.), and community health project proposals (Jan. 28: 9:30 a. m.) On Jan. 28 at 7:30 p. m. there will be open session. Specifically, public reaction to the following proposals and recommendations are being sought: (1) the Blue Cross-Blue Shield proposal to underwrite and administer the District Medicaid Program; (2) Presentation and discussion of recommendations which medical societies, medical schools, hospitals and other agencies

may wish to present; (3) financial support to voluntary community health programs that meet agreed upon criteria; (4) An improved emergency medical care program to include area scheduling of emergency rooms in private hospitals and use of radio dispatched attendants; (5) Opening DC General to all qualified doctors in the community and extending the hours of outpatient service. Witnesses wishing to testify at the open session on Jan. 28 should notify Stephen Swaim, secretary of the council at 638-2223. Witnesses are requested to provide written copies of their testimony and limit their oral presentations to ten minutes.

## SCHOOL BOARD

THE School Board meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Info: ST3-6111.

## HEARINGS

THE ABC holds a hearing on Feb. 1 at 10 a. m. in the District Building on licenses for the following liquor stores and restaurants: CC's Liquors, 3401 14th NW; Egber's Liquors, 1118 U NW; Carreta Rest. Lounge, 700 6th NW; Le Bistro, 1827-29 M NW.

THERE will be hearings on March 24-25 in room 532 of the Federal Trade Commission, 6th



# WHAT'S HAPPENING

Courses are taught in 21 subjects from English and test-taking to data processing and philosophy. A complete list will be sent to persons calling 966-3874. Anyone of high school age or over may enroll.

To register, students simply attend the first class in the course of their choice. Courses are taught at four local college campuses and meet every Saturday morning. The new semester will last until mid-May. There are no prerequisites or fees for any of the WSC's courses. Students are primarily from DC high schools, although any interested person is welcome.

REGISTRATION for adult education classes in the DC public schools will be held on Jan. 26 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Students may register at the following schools: Anacostia, Bell, Cardozo, Chamberlain, Garnet-Patterson, Phelps, Roosevelt, Washington, Woodson. Courses will be offered in the following subjects: citizenship, apprenticeship training, business education and English, foreign languages, history and social studies, home economics and homemaking, mathematics, music and science, hospital aides and orderlies, barbering, dressmaking and practical nursing. Courses open to persons already employed in the trade include: automobile repair, brick and masonry, cosmetology. Other areas of special interest are: automobile mechanics for owners, investment, tips on buying a home. The Americanization School will provide a course in English for the foreign born including preparation for naturalization. (Students interested in this school should register at Wormley School, 3331, Prospect NW from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.) Community based classes for those who want to prepare for the federal service entrance examination and the high school equivalency examination will also be offered. There are in addition, courses to improve basic skills in reading writing and arithmetic. For info: 347-7767.

## MISC.

A ONE thousand dollar dance scholarship is being offered by the Washington Chapter of the National Society of Arts and Letters. Applicants, who must be between 14 and 21, can get forms from Mrs. Robert Cromwell, 2101 Conn. Ave. NW, Washington DC 20008. Forms must be in by Feb. 6 and the competition will be on March 7.

PETITIONS gathered in support of the reappointment of Councilmen Stan Anderson and Polly Shackleton will be presented to the pair on Jan. 26 at 10:30 a.m. in the fifth floor hall of the District Building.

JAN. 26 is the first District Day of the new session of Congress and the League of Women Voters is urging DC residents to show up for the occasion to help remind the House of Representatives of our colonial status. The silent demonstration will occur each House District Day. The League calls it the Monday Mourning Club (District Day falls on Mondays). Gallery passes for the rest of the 91st Congress are obtainable at the office of House Committee chairman Rep. McMillan, room 2208 Rayburn House Office Building. Participants meet at 11:30 a.m. on District Days in the lobby of the Longworth House office building for assistance in obtaining passes or at 11:45 to join the walk to the House gallery.

THE CONSPIRACY is holding a marathon fundraising party for 36 hours starting 11 a.m. Jan. 24 and ending Sunday evening, Jan. 25. Location:

3515 Idaho Ave. NW. Proceeds to go to support of the Chicago 8. Included will be folk music, poetry, rock bands, light shows, movement art and artifacts at auction and for sale, movies, "a chance to vote for your favorite conspirator," "a raffle for

a trip to Chicago to personally hear the verdict." Baby-sitting provided.

REGINALD Booker and Dennis Livingstone will be sentenced in the case arising out of last summer's freeway hearing on Jan. 28.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

THE Community Calendar is available for announcements of forthcoming community events. Civic and political organizations, action groups, churches and government agencies, and amateur organizations of all kinds are invited to submit listings. Send to the Gazette at 109 8th St. NE or call us at 543-5880 day or night. The boundaries of the various wards are indicated below:

WARD ONE: NW Washington east of Rock Creek Park, south of Mt. Pleasant and north of S St., including Adams-Morgan and Columbia Hts.

WARD TWO: SW Washington and NW Washington from S St. south and east of Rock Creek Park, including Shaw, Dupont Circle and downtown.

WARD THREE: NW Washington west of Rock Creek Park from Chevy Chase to Georgetown and Foggy Bottom, including Cleveland Park, Foxhall and Potomac Palisades.

WARD FOUR: NW Washington east of Rock Creek Park from Mt. Pleasant to the District line, including Takoma Park, Brightwood and Petworth.

WARD FIVE: NE Washington west of the Anacostia from Fla. Ave. and Benning Rd. to the District line, including Trinidad, Brookland, Ft. Lincoln and Woodbridge.

WARD SIX: NEAR NE and Near SE Washington from Fla. Ave. and Benning Rd. south to the Anacostia, comprising Capitol East and including Capitol Hill and Stanton Park

WARD SEVEN: NE & SE Washington north of Anacostia and Naylor Gardens and east of the Anacostia River, including Randle Highlands, Benning Hts., and Kenilworth.

WARD EIGHT: SE Washington east of the Anacostia from Anacostia south, including Barry Farms, Congress Hts. and Washington Highlands.

## Community theater

DAY OF ABSENCE and JOHNNAS. Back Alley Theatre, 1365 Kennedy NW, on Thurs., Fri. & Sat. through Feb. 15. 8:30 p.m. Admission: \$3. Info: 723-2040.

THE LONG CHRISTMAS DINNER, LOVE AND HOW TO CURE IT, and QUEENS OF FRANCE. Mt. Vernon Players, Mt. Vernon Place Methodist Church, 900 Mass. Ave. NW. Jan. 30 and 31. Info: 347-1484.

GENERATION. Montgomery Players. Inverness Playhouse, Seven Locks Road, Bethesda. Jan. 29, 30, 31 and Feb. 5, 6, 7, 8:30 p.m. Info: OL 2-5585

CACTUS FLOWER, Falls Church Community Theater, George Mason Civic Auditorium, Broad St. (Rt. 7) and Haycock Rd., Falls Church, Va., Feb. 20, 21, 27 and 28, 8:30 p.m. Info: 532-8744.

TOYS IN THE ATTIC, Little Theatre of Alexandria, 600 Wolfe St., Alexandria, Feb. 20 - March 7 (Mon. dark), 8:30 p.m. Matinees Feb. 22 and March 1, 3 p.m. Info: 683-0496.

U. S. A. Fairlington Players, Fairlington Elementary School, S. Stafford Rd., Fairlington, Feb. 27, 28 and March 5, 6, 7, 8:30 p.m., Info: 968-7658.

LUV, Vienna-Oakton Hamsters, Vienna Community Center, Park & Cherry Sts., Feb. 21, 22, 27 and 28, 8:30 p.m.

HARVEY, Fairfax Community Theatre, Room 306, Fairfax City Hall, Feb. 6, 7, 13, 14, 20, 21, 8:30 p.m. Info: 280-1909.

OF MICE AND MEN, Chevy Chase Players, Wesley United Methodist Church, between Jennifer and Jocelyn on Conn. Ave., Feb. 20, 21, 22, 26, 27 and 28 at 8:30 p.m. Info: 362-4399 or OL 6-3643.

WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLFE Arlington Players, Thomas Jefferson Junior High School, Walter Reed Dr., Arlington, Va. Feb. 27 and 28 and March 7 and 8, 8 p.m. Matinee, March 1, 2:30 p.m. Info: 527-7211 or 524-7694.

## Sports

### HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

(All games start at 3:30 p.m.)

Jan 27: Chamberlain at McKinley, Anacostia at Spingarn, Phelps at Ballou, Coolidge at Roosevelt, Cardozo vs. Western at Eastern, Wilson vs. Bell at Lincoln Jr. High.

Jan. 28: Cardozo vs. Dunbar at Roosevelt.

Jan. 29: Anacostia at McKinley, Phelps at Spingarn, Eastern at Ballou, Bell at Roosevelt, Wilson vs. Western at Anacostia.

Feb. 3: Eastern at Spingarn, Chamberlain at Anacostia, Phelps at McKinley, Western at Roosevelt, Wilson vs. Dunbar at Eastern

Feb. 4: Bell vs. Coolidge at Roosevelt

Feb. 6: Phelps vs. Chamberlain at Anacostia. Eastern at McKinley, Ballou at Spingarn and Dunbar at Roosevelt.

Feb. 10: Chamberlain at Eastern, Phelps at Anacostia, McKinley at Ballou, Cardozo at Roosevelt, and Coolidge vs. Dunbar at McKinley.

## Music

THE Baroque Arts Chamber Orchestra of Washington performs the music of Handel, Bach and Mozart on Feb. 24 at Jefferson Jr. High School, at 8:15 p.m.

## Ward One

### POLICE PRECINCT ELECTION

FEB. 7 has been set as the tentative date for the election of a citizen's advisory board for the pilot precinct project. The election will be open to all residents of the Third Police District who are 16 or older. Nomination of candidates will be by petition and no pre-registration is required for voting.



## Ward Two

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## Ward Three

### ADULT CLASSES & RECREATION PROGRAMS

Registration for the 14-week winter session of adult classes at the Guy Mason Rec Center, 3600 Calvert NW, will take place from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. on Feb. 2-6 and from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. on Feb. 7.

Classes will include art, ballet, figure control, bridge, ceramics, pottery, china painting, English for foreigners, folk dancing, French, Hawaiian dancing, lapidary, millinery, Russian, sewing, silk screen painting, silver jewelry making, Spanish conversation, Spanish dancing, speed reading, social dancing, tailoring, and weaving.

The center also offers weekly duplicate bridge games meeting at 11:45 a. m. Mondays. The Guy Mason Retiree Club meets at 11 a. m. every Weds. and the Homemakers Club meets at 10 a. m. two Thurs. a month. All chess enthusiasts are welcome to join the Capablanca Chess Club which holds tournaments and matches at 7 p. m. Fridays.

Info: FE 3-2412 or 629-2525.

## Ward Six

### SPORTS

The Region H Boxing Team will fight the Prince George's Boys Club in a boxing exhibition at 7 p. m. Feb. 11 at Hine Rec Center, 7th & C SE. Info: 393-4577.

### MEETINGS

DELEGATES of the Capitol East Community Organization meet Feb. 24 at Holy Comforter School, 15th & E. Capitol, at 7:30 p. m.

### MUSIC

GOSPEL TRAIN SPECIAL, fund-raising event for the Capitol East Community Organization, will be held on Feb. 22 from 5 to 10 p. m. at WUST, 9th & V NW. Donations \$2 in advance or \$2.50 at the door. On the program, among others will be the Majestic Choral Ensemble from Baltimore and DC soloist Russell Williams. Info: 547-0630 or 547-1908.

MUSICAL EXPERIENCE IN AFRO-AMERICAN HISTORY. Fund-raising event for the Capitol East Community Organization. Feb. 21 at 2 p. m. at St. Monica's Church, 1340 Mass Ave. SE.

**N.B.** a survey  
of interesting reading

"MARIHUANA," in the December, 1969, Scientific American. An excellent summary of research on the drug by the Director of psychiatric Research at Harvard University. He states that there is now an abundance of evidence that marihuana is not addictive drug. However, the public attitude toward it is charged with "hyperemotional bias", in part due to the misinformation circulated about it by the

Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs. He summarizes that "the anxiety and sense of helplessness generated by the dangers of our time may be focused in some degree on marihuana, driving some people to protective immersion in the drug and arousing others to a crusade against it."

THE Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars is a

year and a half old quarterly publication, both radical and scholarly, which is challenging the assumptions of recent scholarship on Asia and offering alternative solutions. The October, 1969, issue contains a particularly interesting challenge to the ideology of America's China Watchers. One dollar a copy. Write Room 305, 1737 Cambridge St., Cambridge, Mass. 02138.

## Classified Section

RATES: Short public service-type announcements published free of charge. Other classified: 5¢ a word, \$1 minimum. Mail to the Gazette, 109 8th St. NE, Washington DC 20002.

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THE Democratic Central Committee is planning to establish a consumer office to handle consumer complaints from both the poor and the middle class. Volunteers are needed to staff the office. Especially sought are housewives who wish to do battle against those who exploit them. Call Jean Just at 337-8146 or Bruce Terris at 232-1414.

THE Democratic Central Committee is seeking persons throughout the city interested in doing precinct work or becoming precinct captains. If interested call Jean Just at 337-8146 or Bruce Terris at 232-1414.

ANYONE wanting to work for the Coalition Against Racism and Facism--formed in response to Panther killings and intensified repression all through the country-- should contact Mrs. Willie Hardy at 399-2154.

THE Democratic Central Committee is seeking persons interested in lobbying for passage of needed DC legislation in fields such as crime, revenue, the budget, self-government etc. If you are interested in helping in lobbying efforts contact Jean Just at 337-8146 or Bruce Terris at 232-1414.

GROUPS are being formed for mass nonviolent civil disobedience on the peace issue. If you feel you might like to join one of these groups, please contact Bob Leisinger 654-7554.

### FUNDS NEEDED

THE Emergency Committee on the Transportation Crisis desperately needs funds to pay the costs incurred by legal battles, publications and information services. The costs of justice are quite high and even with no legal fees (our lawyers and researchers donate their services), we are still faced with bills for evidence (such as \$96.60 for copies of TV news film) and must raise something in the neighborhood of \$700 for the transcript of the Booker-Livingstone political trial before we can take the case to the U. S. Court of Appeals. And, of course, we still have the trial of the 'Brookland Four' coming up. Please send what you can to ECTC, Brookland P. O. Box 4529, Washington DC 20017.

THE Washington Peace Center needs to raise \$2500 to match a grant to be used in hiring a black draft counselor. Contributions should be sent to Washington Peace Center, 2111 Fla. Ave. NW, (20008). DC Charitable Solicitation Act Reg. #607-411.



# Foot notes

MALCOLM KOVACS

• MEDCO Board member and consumer lawyer Benny Kass writes: "I read your piece in the D. C. Gazette on MEDCO and Adams-Morgan. Aside from the fact that you are so right, what makes you think that MEDCO members ever approved of sponsoring the 'event?' The first I heard about it was when I read about it the day before it happened."

• MY piece in the last issue titled "Meet Joe Danzansky" included Joe's main business and civic activities but excluded some of his political activities.

In brief, Joe is probably best described as a moderate Democrat, somewhere between Richard Daley and George McGovern. That leaves enough room for Joe to maneuver into a position which can please both enough businessmen and enough Negro leaders for Joe to enjoy a good reputation with both groups.

During the 1968 Presidential campaign Danzansky contributed something over \$7,500 to Hubert Humphrey's forgettable campaign for the White House. More recently Danzansky made a contribution of \$2,500 through Giant Foods to the October 1969 testimonial dinner for Maryland Governor Marvin Mandel, which netted the governor the tidy sum of \$619,420. Joining with race track commissioners and wetlands developers, among others, Danzansky's contribution will most likely go for Mandel's campaign chest when he runs for governor later this year.

• TWO of Washington's foremost proponents of the free enterprise system, Woodward and Lothrop and the Hecht Company, are apparently trying to legally prohibit competition, the theoretical basis of the American way. Dalmo, a local chain of discount appliance stores, has been temporarily excluded from Tysons Corner Shopping Center in northern Virginia in a recent ruling by District Court Judge John Pratt.

It seems that Woodies and Hecht's leases entitle them to blackball prospective tenants. Dalmo has charged in court that this veto power represents a joint conspiracy in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust Act and that it is a means of enforcing an anti-discount policy. Such restrictive clauses are apparently common throughout the country. Judge Pratt agreed with the department stores arguments that the large-scale financing needed for such big undertakings justified the exclusion of competition.

In the meantime, Dalmo intends to appeal the lower court decision. A temporary restraining order prohibits Tyson's from renting the space which was reserved for Dalmo.

All capitalists are equal in the market place, but some are more equal than others.

• THE local press finally got their own hometown version of the Sharon Tate case and has treated the public to long and sensationalist accounts of the "hippie" community of which Muffin was a part. Contrast this "in depth" coverage with the usually skimpy reporting of white policemen shooting down blacks in Prince George's County or the District.

The three young men who shared the DuPont Circle area apartment with Muffin and her friends have now come to regret that they cooperated with the police. One of the three, Michael Arndt, called the police to inform them of the murder and to identify the suspected murderers. Arndt also called in the local press to show them his pad. Shortly thereafter, Arndt and his friends were taken to Arlington jail where they were held as material witnesses on \$10,000 bail. They complained that

they were treated like prisoners rather than cooperative citizens. The guards harassed them about their hair and refused one of them a request to see a doctor. Virginia law sanctions holding material witnesses indefinitely when they cannot come up with bail.

After this affair you probably won't find Michael Arndt and his friends sporting "Help Your Police Fight Crime" stickers on their cars.

The police who broke into the Church of the Pilgrims to get suspect Kenneth Hitner in the Switchboard office located there apparently had neither a search warrant nor permission to enter from church officials.

They also chose a most un-Godly hour to enter God's quarters, around 4:10 am, a time usually reserved for white people to sleep and for Black Panthers to be killed in their sleep.

The man who was killed, Richard Mattingly, had the title of executive director of the D. C. Board of Condemnations. He was much more important than his title indicates. Mattingly worked for the District Government for 39 years. According to Bud Nottingham, Mattingly was the official District liaison with the Washington business community. He was especially friendly with members of the Board of Trade, the Real Estate Board and similar organizations.



## For better or worse

FOR BETTER: The resignation of 90-year-old library board chairman William Atwood. Walter Washington now has an opportunity to break precedent and appoint someone with an understanding of the library needs of the whole city rather than just that portion lying west of Rock Creek Park.

FOR WORSE: The Justice Department probe into west coast Black Panther operations being handled by five department attorneys from Washington without the participation of San Francisco's black U. S. Attorney, Cecil F. Poole. Says Poole: "They sent them in without prior warning to me or consultation. Whatever they say they're doing, they're out to get the Black Panthers."

FOR BETTER: The belated resignation of pilot police district project director Robert Shellow, who has contributed to the demise of what was once meant to be a "model" in police-community relations.

FOR BETTER: A court ruling exempting low income DC residents from the litigation costs in divorce suits.

FOR WORSE: The failure of HUD to fund a number of imaginative model cities programs here including economic and housing development corporations and a \$1.5 million health program.

## The best of Spiro

"They resemble children playing with power tools but I believe their grandstanding is going to backfire. They are about to gore their own oxen."

-- Spiro Agnew on the Senate

(And as the sun sinks slowly on the north side of the dam.)



Darby Holmes  
Second City/LNS

## Meet Bud Doggett

IN our continuing series of introductions to the local ruling class, we will now meet Leonard B. "Bud" Doggett, President of Doggett Parking Company and a leading business man and civic leader. By virtue of his business, Bud is a big man in the powerful D. C. parking lobby: he has been President of both the Washington and National Parking Associations. As such he is also part of the friends-of-the-Three-Sisters-Bridge crowd, the highway lobby. Bud wants more cars to come into the city to park in his lots and so he actively supports more highways, freeways and bridges. Paving over the city may make it uninhabitable for us but its very profitable for Bud and his friends.

White Bud Doggett is a past president of the Board of Trade. He has just recently been named chairman of the publicly subsidized Washington Convention and Visitors Bureau, a major operation of the Board of Trade since tourism is one of the biggest businesses in the District.

Bud is also currently president of HEROES, Inc., another Board of Trade operation. HEROES, which stands for "Honor Every Responsible Officers' Eternal Sacrifice," is an aid fund started by businessmen for the widows and children of policemen killed in the line of duty. HEROES is the kind of organization which gives us a clue to why business leaders are such active civic leaders. Simply put, civic activity is good (for) business.

On the side, Bud is a director of the McLachlen National Bank, National Permanent Savings and Loan Association and Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co. of Washington.

Oh, and Bud is a former campaign chairman of the United Givers Fund.

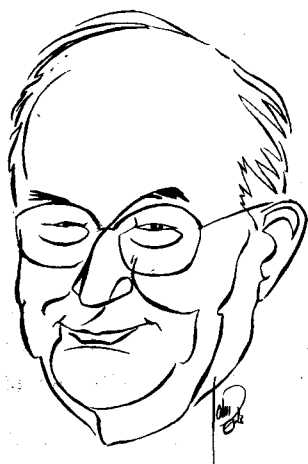
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--which gave Dick his red-baiting-stomp-on-the-opposition start in national politics. We're glad the President made the appointment. Brings back old times.

FOLLOW the bouncing O. Roy Chalk. American Airlines and Trans-Caribbean Airways have agreed to merge. Chalk's deal on his airlines won't include DC Transit.

THE piece in this issue on the ownership structure of DC television stations points to the need for the kind of legislation that Sen. Thomas McIntyre plans to introduce. He intends to offer a bill that would prevent daily newspapers and their proprietors from owning or controlling any radio or TV station in the same metropolitan area. Papers like the Star and the Post would be affected by this anti-monopoly legislation. Says McIntyre: "Slowly, almost imperceptibly, our mass communications media are falling into fewer hands."

## EJ CEJERA



SAYS Rep. Wright Patman: "Last year, when housing starts were higher than is presently the case, the United States provided 7.69 units per 1,000 residents but Sweden produced 13.43 units, Japan built 11.89, the Soviet Union provided 9.80, the Netherlands built 9.63 and France provided 8.23."

A FEW notes on the forthcoming freeway hearings:

They won't be held by the full City Council, but rather by the transportation committee headed by the Rev. Jerry Moore. This appears to be another attempt by the Council to duck facing its constituency.

The Council is operating under strict rules that allow Gilbert Hahn to have you arrested if you don't cough right. Don't assume that he won't use the power. The political trials of freeway foes Reginald Booker and Dennis Livingstone indicate otherwise. Interestingly, however, charges were dropped against less radical, more 'respectable' persons arrested whose trial might have proved embarrassing to Hahn and the Council.

It's a rigged situation anyway. The matter under consideration at the hearings will be highway plans presented by the Highway Department that were prepared "in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Bureau of Public Roads." Legally, the federal government is supposed to review road plans developed by local communities and not tell the communities what they must build. But then, building roads legally would be a real novelty in this town.

THE Student Mobilization Committee has announced plans for a national conference to discuss the future of student anti-war activities. The conference will be held Feb. 14 and 15 in Cleveland. For more information, call SMC at 737-0072.

THE church militant, as viewed through the eyes of a Post headline writer: "Dutch Catholic Ask Bishops to Drop Celibacy."

THE School Board gets sworn in on Jan. 26 at noon at Dunbar High. Then the board will attempt to elect a president. Should be interesting.

MURRAY Chotiner has finally made it to the White House. He's been named a special counsel to the President. Those who remember the old Nixon will fondly recall the old Chotiner. Like back in the days when Chotiner was Nixon's PR man in the race against Helen Gahagan Douglas

IN THE NEXT ISSUE:

School decentralization

in D. C.



"Are you SURE that's how you slow this thing down?"



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## SOME SALT

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(while concurrently reducing the space for homes and playgrounds and schools and contentment) by building yet more new roads in the name of progress, rubber tires and the 1968 Highway Act.

Already 30% of the District's land has been surrendered to highways. Already this city is pressing for the national automobile pollution record. Already there are more cars per capita within the District line than almost anywhere else in the states. Already too much land has been taken for parking and too much more is threatened. Already the roads have broken up too many neighborhoods, spoiled too much recreation land, taken too many homes.

That these roads are unwanted and unneeded by the Citizens of the District, however, makes no matter. The urban orgy must go on.

Not just on the highways, either. The bureaucratic Hell's Angels of the Highway Department may be the most blatant of the defilers, but they are far from alone. It is becoming clear, for example, that the Metro--that 19th century innovation laboriously and expensively resurrected to solve the local transportation crisis--will exact its social pound of flesh too. The politics and the economics of the subway stop has already come crashing into the consciousness of some businessmen unfortunate enough to situate themselves where the subway wanted to go. Others will join them as the Metro's sponsors proudly condemn those cluttering the roads to future profits for someone else. It's called the revitalization of a neighborhood. But when the renewers move in, make this simple test. Write down who's in the neighborhood. Then wait five years. Write down who's there now. Who has been revitalized?

Statistically the neighborhood is better off. But it's a different neighborhood. The people who needed to be better off have been moved away; the people who are better off don't need to be.

It will happen. Check with some of the 200 businessmen formerly in operation in SW, but closed down to make way for a late night People's, a Safeway, the Rockefeller-L'Enfant Plaza or O. Roy Chalk's apartment building. (Just the other day O. Roy unloaded his SW complex for \$26,000 a unit as victims of the SW blitz still seek decent homes.)

If it just happened once it would be bad enough. But it keeps happening. Some of the handful of

businesses lucky enough to hold on after the SW fiasco are now in the way of a new pincer movement called "Downtown Progress." Some of the individuals kicked out of SW soon found themselves moving again--this time for a freeway.

Everywhere one goes in the city one finds involuntary nomads, their movements supposedly prescribed by an abstraction called progress, but in fact determined by the economic needs of urban development barons and their clients.

The examples are endless:

- The move to create an authority that would have the power to condemn land for parking lots and garages.

- The indications that the prime beneficiaries of the riot-area rebuilding programs will not be the poor but rather the city's large economic interests.

- The Union Station land grab, in which the city and the federal government have collaborated in designing a community-overpowering transportation-visitors-sports center at the edge of a low income residential neighborhood. The inevitable result: First, deterioration of the neighborhood because of congestion, noise and pollution; and then occupation of the neighborhood by commercial uses more compatible with the planned center.

- The alliance between government and big business to put the squeeze on individuals and small business sitting on valuable land.

- The continued abuse of urban open space, witness the wrecking of the potential of the Anacostia waterfront by a freeway, or a Highway Department's quiet scheme to build a road through Glover- Archbold Park, or MEDCO's plan for housing in the Arboretum.

It adds up to this: the power of eminent domain, the power of urban renewal, the whole weight of public policy has been placed at the disposal of the economic junta that controls this city.

If Walter Washington really wants to do something about violence in this town, he'll stop babbling about troublesome kids and set about to end the violent corruption of government involved in the sort of relationship that has grown up between the District Building and the financial and business moguls of Washington. How many times has the government substantially changed the environment of a District community without the prime beneficiary being a handful of economic vizars rather than the people?

Not in Southwest where the poor are just as poor

and live just as badly as elsewhere and where even the upper middle class had to engage in a rent strike to keep their landlords--subsidized by the urban renewal program--from putting them up against the wall.

Not in the freeway program which has sacrificed environmental values as well as countless people and small businesses to fulfill the greed of the automotive mafia.

Not at Ft. Lincoln, where some dared to try and have paid the price for it.

Not on lower Connecticut Ave.

Not at Downtown Progress.

No, not even on 14th St. or H St. either, unless the city takes rapid steps to prevent the riot-area urban renewal program from falling into the hands of a few developers and speculators (who are, in fact, not speculators at all since much of their risk money comes from the public treasury).

This city isn't being made over for the disaffected youths in whom the government feigns so much interest. It isn't being made over to better the lives of low income residents, or for the small businessman who has taken it on the chin over and over again, or for the middle class resident who can not find clean air, a pleasant park or a good school. All of us who don't own a piece of lower Connecticut Ave. or H St. or K St. (or who don't plan to buy some of it up just as soon as the government gets rid of the present occupants) are finding the city developing around us but not for us. If this were not so, we would have more parks and less freeways, more health facilities and less public subsidy of large developers, more of a feeling of space and less of a feeling of entrapment.

There are so many things in this city that the people want that have nothing to do with what the Board of Trade, the Truckers Association, PMI or the Cafritz Corporation want.

Out at Tyson's Corner, in the giant shopping mall there, they have mounted a large aviary in which an assortment of wild birds form a decorative accessory to a multi-million financial enterprise.

It's good for business, no doubt. But what's in it for the birds? The citizen of Washington is encased in an aviary, too. A decorative accessory to the real business of improving the tax base, increasing the gross metropolitan product, making corporate life function as it should. What was once his city has been taken away in bits and pieces and until now he is left with only a cage.

# POT HEARINGS

as the Grim Reaper--they backed off under Council questioning. The narc's Dr. Milton Joffe even allowed that although "legalizing simply for hedonistic purposes" was not warranted, "I'm not against pleasure. . . ."

And there were few surprises in the public testimony from about thirty individuals and organizations. Judge Charles Halleck recommended more realistic penalties, since present laws tend to cause the community "to lose faith in the entire system of justice." James H. Heller of the National Capital Area Civil Liberties Union called for legalization of pot. He said he saw no reason that it should be treated any different from alcohol. (He admitted to having tried grass once, "but it didn't have any effect." "Maybe you just didn't know how to smoke it," Councilwoman Polly Shackleton consoled him.)

Rev. John Bussey, President of the D. C. Baptist Ministers Conference, called marijuana evil and sinful and warned against the terrors of bending or reducing any penalties. "This is not the time to let up," said Bussey. Dr. Seymour Albert, speaking for the D. C. Medical Society, promised to testify only on medical grounds but could cite no medical evidence for his opinion that pot was more harmful than

alcohol, expressed worry that "marijuana is only used in a deliberative effort to escape reality," said he

had no opinion on legal matters but that marijuana should "be not legalized," and concluded that the penalties should be "left up to lawyers."

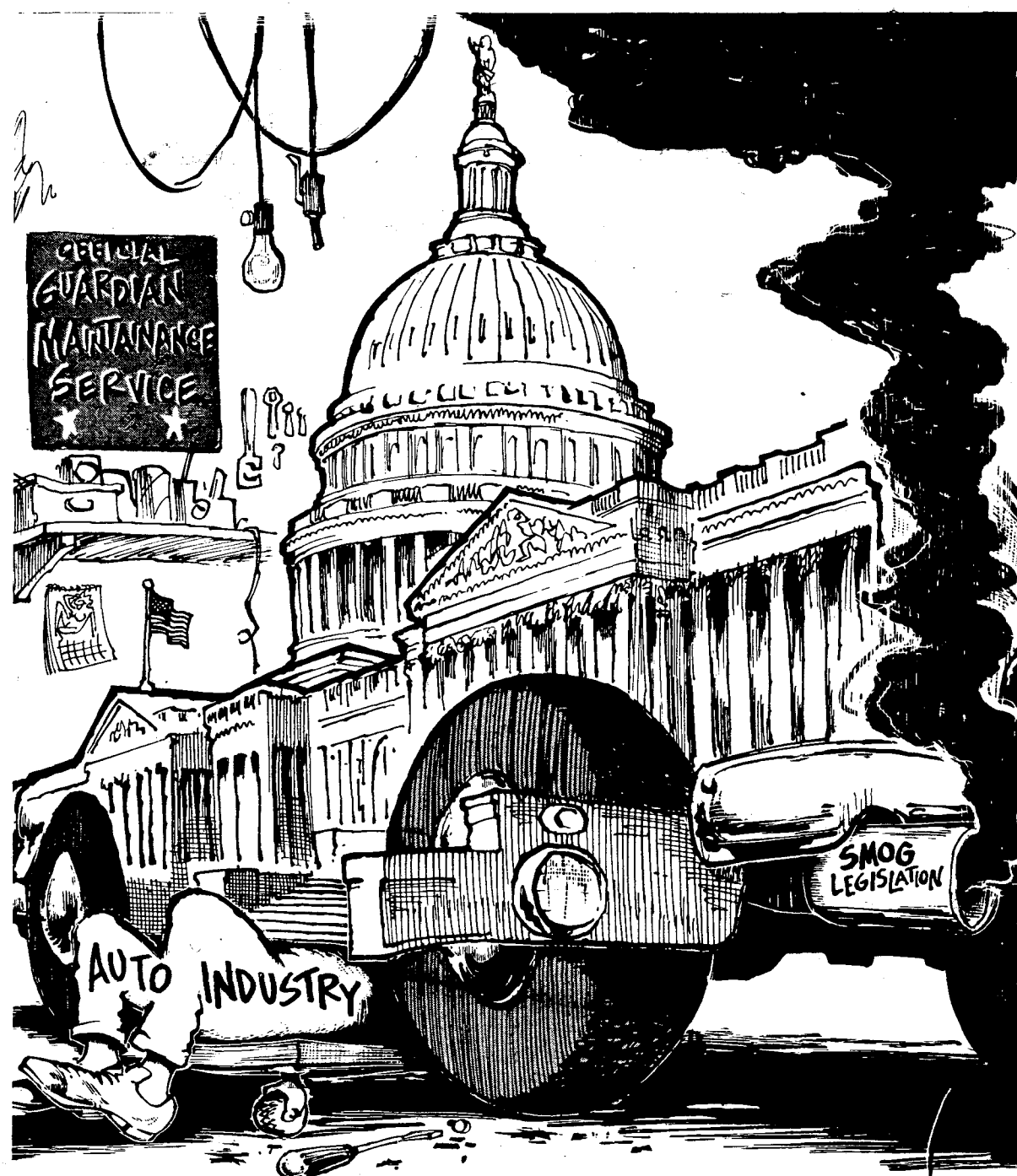
Virginia Riley of the D. C. Bar Association Mental Health Committee took the time to testify that the Bar Association had no opinion and no position on the matter. Father Robert Judge, a dean at Georgetown University, estimated that as many as 85% of Georgetown freshmen have used marijuana at one time or another. He felt that continued use might indicate a tendency to "cop out," but admitted that "often the continuing users are the better students." He recommended that legal sanctions against pot "should be extremely minimized."

The D. C. Republican Central Committee asked for more study, expressed the hope that it could after a year or so "make a more mature judgement," and under questioning hinted that penalties should be reduced. Dr. Dan Fivel of the D. C. Democratic Central Committee submitted its resolution (passed 7 to 1) that all penalties be eliminated "for possession, use, and distribution of marijuana except insofar as may be required to control sale to minors and use by persons operating motor vehicles."

Hip blacks echoed Green and Turner that the Council exhibited its racist bias by ignoring the marijuana "problem" until it had spread outside the bounds of the ghetto. A couple of conservative Neg-

roes asked for stricter enforcement of present laws. Intense kids placed marijuana laws in their proper context of illegal draft laws, insane war, robot-producing public schools, and institutional racism. A couple of ex-addicts who had smoked, shot and drunk virtually everything they could get their hands on testified to the mild nature of pot. One even told the Council that it was liquor--not marijuana--that led him to heroin. The Capitol Hill Action Group recommended legalizing, regulating and taxing marijuana--the tax revenues would be significant to this tax-poor colony. Terry Becker, a Quicksilver Times reporter, surprised everyone by calling for more stringent penalties and stricter enforcement. Becker wanted "everyone to turn on and everyone to get busted;" it would hasten the revolution, he said.

There were 100 to 125 spectators on each day of the hearings and WETA carried some of the proceedings so, as Chairman Hahn hoped, there was ample opportunity for "educating the public." And Hahn made sure there was a full and accurate record. Noting that Surgeon General Steinfeld had referred to the famous Alice B. Toklas marijuana or hash brownies but claimed the recipe was not to be found in Alice's cookbook, Hahn opened the second day of hearings by setting the record straight. You will find the recipe on page 273 of Alice B. Toklas, announced Hahn, and having fulfilled his public responsibility, he ordered the proceedings to proceed.



"Looks fine to me!"

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